For in his tomb lie my affections ;
And with his spirit sadly I survive [5],
To mock the expectation of the world;
To frustrate prophecies j and to raze out
Rotten opinion, who hath writ me down
After my seeming. The tide of blood in me
Hath proudly flow'd in vanity, till now:
Now doth it turn, and ebb back to the sea:
Where it shall mingle with the state of floods[6],

father's death, and being now as it were buried in his tomb, he
and wildness are interred in the same grave.

A passage in King Henry V. Act I. Sc. I. very strongly confirms this interpretation:

" The courses of his youth promis'd it not:
" The breath no sooner left his father's body,
" But that his *mildness,* mortified in him,
** Seem'd to *die* too."

So, in King Henry VIII.:

" And when old time shall lead him to his end,
** *Goodness, and he,* fill up one monument."

A kindred thought is found in The Two Gentlemen of Verona:

" And so suppose am I: for in his grave
** Assure thyself my love is buried." MALONE.

5—with his SPIRIT SADLY I survive,] *Sadly* is the same as *soberly, seriously, gravely. Sad* is opposed to *wild.* IOHNSON.

The quarto and first folio have *spirits.* The correction was made by the editor of the third folio. MALONE.

[6]— the STATE of floods,] i. e. the assembly, or general meeting of the floods : for all rivers, running to the sea, are there represented as holding their sessions. This thought naturally introduced the following:

" Now call we our high court of parliament."*

But the Oxford editor, much a stranger to the phraseology of that time in general, and to his author's in particular, out of mere loss for his meaning, reads it backwards, "the floods of state." WARBURTON.

The objection to Warburton's explanation is, that the word *state,* in the singular, does not imply the sense he contends for : we say an assembly of the *states,* not of the *state.* I believe we must either adopt Hanmer's amendment, or suppose *thatstate* means *dignity:* and that, " to mingle with the state of floods," is * to partake of the dignity of floods." I should prefer the amend-
• ment to this interpretation. M. MASON.

I prefer the interpretation to the amendment. *State* most evidently means *dignity.* So, in The Tempest;